CSC434-Fall2014-information-cascade P[actua] = "blue"] = 0.2P[actual = "yellow"] = 0.8P[report = "blue" | actual = "blue"] = 0.8
P[report = "yellow" | actual = "blue"] = 0.2 P[report = "yellow" | actual = "yellow"] = 0.8
P[report = "blue" | actual = "yellow"] = 0.2 P[actual = "yellow" | report = "yellow"] = P[actual =
"yellow"] \* P[report = "yellow" | actual = "yellow"] P[report = "yellow"l P[report = "yellow"] = P[actual = "yellow"]\*P[report =
"yellow" | actual = "yellow"] + P[actual = "blue"]\*P[report = "vellow" | actual = "blue"] = 0.2\*0.8 + 0.8\*0.2 = 0.32P[actual = "yellow" | report = "yellow"] = 0.2\*0.8 / 0.32 = 0.5 \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ P[emails are spam] = 0.4P[emails are not spam] = 0.6P[word = "checkout" | email is spam] = 0.01
P[word = "checkout" | email is NOT spam] = 0.004 P[email is spam | word = "checkout"] = P[email is spam] \*
P[word = "checkout" | email is spam] / P[word = "checkout"] P[word = "checkout"] = P[email is spam]\*P[word = "checkout" email is spam] +

CSC434-Fall2014-information-cascade P[email is not spam]\*P[word = "checkout" | email is NOT spam] = 0.4\*0.01 + 0.6\*0.004 = 0.0064P[email is spam | word = "checkout"] = 0.4 \* 0.01 / 0.0064 = 0.625 \_\_\_\_\_ P[majority-b]ue] = 1/2P[majority-red] = 1/2P[ball picked is "blue" | urn is "majority-blue"] = 2/3
P[ball picked is "red" | urn is "majority-blue"] = 1/3 P[ball picked is "red" | urn is "majority-red"] = 2/3
P[ball picked is "blue" | urn is "majority-red"] = 1/3 P[urn is majority-blue | ball picked is blue] = P[urn is majority-blue] \* P[ball picked is blue | urn is majority blue / P[ball picked is blue] P[ball picked is blue] = P[urn is majority-blue]\* P[ball picked is "blue" | urn is "majority-blue"] + P[urn is majority-red] \* P[ball picked is "blue" | urn is "majority-red"] = 1/2 \* 2/3 + 1/2 \* 1/3 = 1/2P[urn is majority-blue | ball picked is blue] = 1/2 \* 2/3 /0.5 = 2/3P[urn is majority-blue | balls picked are blue,blue, red] = P[urn is majority-blue] \* P[balls picked are blue, blue, red | urn is majority-blue] / P[balls picked are blue,blue,red] P[balls picked are blue, blue, red | urn is majority-blue] = P[ball picked is blue | urn is majority-blue] \* P[ball picked is blue | urn is Page 2

CSC434-Fall2014-information-cascade majority-blue] \* P[ball picked is red | urn is majority-blue]  $= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{4}{27}$ P[balls picked are blue, blue, red | urn is majority-red] = 1/3\*1/3\*2/3 = 2/27P[balls picked are blue, blue, red] = 1/2\*4/27 + 1/2\*2/27 =1/2\*6/27 = 1/92/27 / 1/9 = 2/3P[see "blue" | hypothesis is "majority-blue"] - high signal (a) > 1/2P[see "red" | hypothesis is "majority-blue"] - low signal (1-q)P[see "red" | hypothesis is "majority-red"] - low signal (q) > 1/2P[see "blue" | hypothesis is "majority-red"] - high signal (1-q)S = sequence of 'a' high signals and sequence of 'b' low signals P[majority-blue | S] = P[majority-blue] \* P[S | majority-blue] / P[S] P[S] = P[majority-b]ue] \* P[S |majority-blue] + P[majority-red]\*P[S | majority-red]  $= p*q^a *(1-q)^b + (1-p)*(1-q)^a * q^b$ P[majority-blue | S] = p\*q^a \*(1-q)^b  $p*q^a *(1-q)^b + (1-p)*(1-q)^a *$ q^b a > b Since q > 1/2

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q^a * (1-q)^b > (1-q)^a q^b
p*q^a *(1-q)^b + (1-p)*(1-q)^a * q^b < p*q^a *(1-q)^b +
(1-p)*q^a *(1-q)^b
1/() > 1/()
P[majority-blue | S] > p
_ _
a < b
P[majority-blue | S] =
                                     p*q^a *(1-q)^b
_____
                         p*q^a *(1-q)^b + (1-p)*(1-q)^a *
q^b
qhb * (1-q)ha > qha * (1-q)hb
b > a
p*q^a *(1-q)^b + (1-p)*(1-q)^a * q^b > p*q^a *(1-q)^b +
(1-p)*q^a * (1-q)^b
1/() < 1/()
< p
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